

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

AWARD OF PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Award and authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to prepare the construction and maintenance services contracts in the form previously approved by County Counsel, execute the contracts, and establish the effective dates following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material bonds filed by the contractor for the following:

Project ID No. FCC0000780 - Project No. 499, Barrington Avenue Invert Repair, City of Los Angeles (3), to Kalban, Inc., in amount of \$98,765.

Project ID No. RDC0013662 - Badillo Street Over Big Dalton Wash, et al., Cities of Baldwin Park, Azusa, and Arcadia (1 and 5), to Dalaj Int'l Corp., in amount of \$289,788.

Project ID No. RDC0013665 - Camino Del Sur, et al., vicinity of Whittier (4), to Sully-Miller Contracting Company, in amount of \$154,563.35.

Project ID No. RDC0013750 - 160th Street East, et al., vicinity of Palmdale (5), to Asphalt Construction Company, Inc., in amount of \$190,977.

Project ID No. RDC0014136 - San Pasqual Street Over Eaton Wash, vicinity of Pasadena (5), to PK Construction, in amount of \$91,269.50.

Project ID No. RMD3246024 - Parkway Tree Trimming, Athens, et al., vicinities of Athens and Torrance (2 and 4), to J. Orozco Enterprises, Inc., in amount of \$42.680.

Project ID No. RMD5547074 - Littlerock Ranchos Road, et al. - Slurry Seal 2002/03, vicinity of Palmdale (5), to American Asphalt South, Inc., in amount of \$121,937.20.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

We are recommending that your Board award these construction and maintenance services contracts and authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to execute the contracts and establish the effective contract dates following receipt of approved bonds and insurance filed by contractors for each of these projects.

The enclosure for each project includes the project description, the call for bids and bid opening dates, a tabulation of bids, and financial information. The certified record of receipt of bids and the original bid proposals for each project are also enclosed, including an addendum to the contract specifications for Project ID No. RDC0013662.

The recommended construction and maintenance services contracts are necessary to execute Board-directed and approved Public Works projects in support of operational missions. Your Board's approval of the recommended contract awards and our subsequent execution of the contracts will ensure the timely completion of the projects.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The award of these construction and maintenance services contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since these contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The enclosure for each project includes the amount of the recommended contract as compared with the engineer's estimate and the other bids received.

These projects are included in the 2002-03 Department of Public Works Budget. The enclosure for each project includes more detailed fiscal and financial information.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Recommended contract awards are to the lowest responsible bidders in accordance with the California Public Contract Code and your Board's directives.

On October 27, 1981, your Board adopted a program for the use of small Minority and Women-owned Businesses (MWBEs) on Federal and State funded highway construction contracts. Companies meeting these requirements are certified by the State as Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs). An overall goal for subcontracting portions of the work to DBEs is established for each project. Contracts are recommended for award to the lowest responsible bidder who meets the goal or documents a good faith effort to do so in conformance with the program.

We have also developed an outreach program to encourage all qualified contractors to participate in the bidding and contracting process on our projects. Under this program, we place notices of upcoming bids in local and minority newspapers throughout the County. These notices indicate that copies of plans and specifications are available at specified libraries and the Public Works Headquarters building. This allows interested contractors to view the plans and specifications at convenient locations. We also provide telephone numbers (including one for Spanish-speaking contractors) to obtain further information on bidding and subcontracting opportunities.

To further increase contractor awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, each of these projects was listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

The State Labor Code requires contractors to pay prevailing wage rates to all persons employed on public works construction contracts. These rates are determined by the Department of Industrial Relations and include contributions for fringe benefits such as vacations, pension funds, training, and health plans for each employee.

As required by your Board, language has been incorporated into the project specifications stating that the contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws.

The contracts will be in the form previously approved by County Counsel. We will also review and approve the faithful performance and payment bonds filed by the contractors.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Each of these projects was found to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act at the time your Board called for bids. The specifics of these findings are included in the enclosure for each project.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contracts were solicited on an open competitive basis in accordance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code.

The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to report solicitations of improper consideration by County employees and allowing the County to terminate the contract if it is found that the contractor offered or gave improper consideration to County employees.

Public Works has confirmed that all of the respective contractors are in compliance with the County's Child Support Compliance Program and the requirements of the Contractor Employee Jury Service Program.

The project specifications also contain a provision that, should the contractor require additional or replacement personnel to fill employment openings, consideration shall be given to hiring qualified participants in the County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs.

To ensure that the contracts are awarded to responsible contractors with satisfactory performance histories, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, their civil litigation history, and information regarding prior criminal convictions. The information reported by all of the respective contractors was considered before making this recommendation to approve execution of the contracts.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

These construction and maintenance services contracts will result in improved public works infrastructure in the communities where the work is scheduled. Where appropriate, local residents and businesses will be informed that traffic and local access may be mildly disrupted during the construction. The proposed schedules for construction are included in the enclosure for each project.

CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office County Counsel Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000780, PROJECT NO. 499, BARRINGTON AVENUE INVERT REPAIR (City of Los Angeles), Supervisorial District 3

TYPE OF WORK: Repair of erosion of two reinforced concrete pipe storm drains.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: January 7, 2003 (Synopsis 39)

BID OPENING DATE: February 4, 2003

BID SUMMARY:

Low	Kalban, Inc., a corporation 9075 Glenoaks Boulevard	\$ 98,765.00
	Sun Valley, California 90352	
	(818) 504-1065	
2	Truesdell Corporation of California, Inc.	\$117,670.00
3	*Standard Engineering	\$126,535.00
4	Gelco Services, Inc.	\$129,920.25
5	Buso Constructors, Inc.	\$131,199.00
6	Lehigh Construction Company	\$139,370.00
7	Ace Restoration & Waterproofing, Inc.	\$223,303.50

^{*}MWBE

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$126,424.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$ 98,765.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 27,659.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 22 percent below the engineer-s estimate.

Sufficient funds for this project are available to the Flood Control District.

Kalban, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract, which does not have a Federal- or State-mandated DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (e), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 60 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in May and be completed in August 2003.

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013662, BADILLO STREET OVER BIG DALTON WASH,

ET AL. (Cities of Baldwin Park, Azusa, and Arcadia), Supervisorial Districts 1 and 5

TYPE OF WORK: Seismic retrofitting of the Badillo Street bridge over Big Dalton

Wash, the East 1st Street bridge over Little Dalton Wash, and the

Second Avenue bridge over Santa Anita Wash.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: January 14, 2003 (Synopsis 42)

BID OPENING DATE: February 11, 2003

BID SUMMARY:

Low	Dalaj Int'l Corp., a corporation 2045 Pelham Avenue Los Angeles, California 90025 (310) 470-8070	\$289,788.00
2	Lehigh Construction Company	\$292,050.00
3	P P C Construction, Inc.	\$327,540.00
4	*Olivas Valdez, Inc.	\$348,270.00
5	*4-Con Engineering, Inc.	\$392,192.00
6	J. Mcloughlin Engineering Company, Inc.	\$397,605.00
7	Allied Building Contractors, Inc.	\$451,550.00
8	William P. Young Construction, Inc.	\$531,995.00
9	MJ Contractor	\$603,150.00

^{*}MWBE

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$313,700.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$289,788.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 23,912.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 8 percent below the estimate.

This project will be administered under the State Seismic Retrofit Program as a Federalaid project, covered by Agreement 71078 with the State of California. Under this program, the entire cost of the Seismic Retrofit portion of this project will be financed with Federal and State funds.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2002-03 Road Fund Budget.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Int'l Corp. has one DBE subcontractor/supplier under this contract, yielding a proposed DBE participation of 10 percent. This contract has a Federal- mandated DBE goal of 8 percent.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (x)(11), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 50 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in May and be completed in July 2003.

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013665, CAMINO DEL SUR, ET AL.

(in the vicinity of Whittier), Supervisorial District 4

TYPE OF WORK: Resurfacing and reconstruction of roadway pavement; reconstruction of curb, gutter, sidewalk, curb ramps, and driveways; root pruning of parkway trees; and modification of traffic signals.

<u>CALL FOR BIDS DATE</u>: December 17, 2002 (Synopsis 78)

BID OPENING DATE: January 14, 2003

BID SUMMARY:

Low	Sully-Miller Contracting Company, a corporation 1100 East Orangethorpe Avenue, Suite 200 Anaheim, California 92801 (714) 578-9600	\$154,563.35
2	Alliance Streetworks, Inc.	\$160,993.65
3	*Ruiz Engineering Company	\$161,044.72
4	Elite Bobcat Service, Inc.	\$161,187.25
5	Kalban, Inc.	\$161,366.25
6	Excel Paving Company	\$166,436.00
7	E.G.N. Construction	\$170,022.55
8	Gentry Brothers, Inc.	\$189,482.00

^{*}MWBE

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$172,166.75
Amount of recommended contract	\$154,563.35
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 17,603.40

The amount of the recommended contract is 10 percent below the engineer-s estimate.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2002-03 Road Fund Budget.

Sully-Miller Contracting Company has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract, which does not have a Federal- or State-mandated DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsections (x)(2), (x)(4), and (x)(14), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 40 working days; however, an additional 120 calendar days are required for the contractor to obtain the necessary equipment and materials. Therefore, it is estimated that the work will start in July and be completed in September 2003.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The contractors industrial safety record indicates an accident resulting in a fatality on October 1, 1998. The Sully-Miller Contracting Company (Sully-Miller) employee who suffered the fatal accident was not working on any property controlled by Sully-Miller and was not supervised by anyone from Sully-Miller. The employee was on loan to another contractor as a roller operator when the accident occurred. Sully-Millers Workers' Compensation insurance carrier is handling this case.

Cal/OSHA has completed their investigation and cited Sully-Miller for violation of California Code of Regulations Section 3203 (a)(2,4). The citation is under appeal. The case is still under investigation by the San Bernardino County District Attorney, and no decisions have been made. The contractors operations on County projects have been conducted in accordance with the appropriate safety standards.

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013750, 160TH STREET EAST, ET AL. (in the vicinity of Palmdale), Supervisorial District 5

TYPE OF WORK: Construction of roadway with asphalt concrete pavement and base

material on an unpaved road.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: December 10, 2002 (Synopsis 30)

BID OPENING DATE: January 7, 2003

BID SUMMARY:

Lov	Asphalt Construction Company, Inc., a corporation	\$190,977.00
	P.O. Box 1187	
	Lancaster, California 93534	
	(661) 533-2121	
2	D. I. Millor, Inc.	ቀ ጋ44 በጋቢ በE

2	D. J. Miller, Inc.	\$211,939.05
3	Granite Construction Company	\$221,415.00
4	*ANM Construction & Engineering	\$249,999.00

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$296,926.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$190,977.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$105,949.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 36 percent below the engineer's estimate.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2002-03 Road Fund Budget.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Asphalt Construction Company, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract, which does not have a Federal- or State-mandated DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (x)(8), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 45 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in May and be completed in July 2003.

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014136, SAN PASQUAL STREET OVER EATON WASH (in the vicinity of Pasadena), Supervisorial District 5

<u>TYPE OF WORK</u>: The replacement of the concrete barriers on San Pasqual Street bridge over Eaton Wash.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: January 14, 2003 (Synopsis 42)

BID OPENING DATE: February 11, 2003

BID SUMMARY:

Low	*Zhan Paul King, an individual dba PK Construction 490 North Craig Avenue Pasadena, California 91107 (626) 744-1865	\$ 91,269.50
2	J. McLoughlin Engineering Company, Inc.	\$ 93,710.00
3	*Olivas Valdez, Inc.	\$ 97,472.50
4	D. C. Hubbs Construction, Inc.	\$102,888.00
5	Vido Samarzich, Inc.	\$107,660.00
6	Dalaj Int'l Corp.	\$108,225.00
7	Van Elk, Ltd.	\$115,325.00
8	*4-Con Engineering, Inc.	\$117,780.00
9	Bannaoun Engineers - Constructors	\$126,375.00
10	Allied Building Contractors, Inc.	\$168,850.00
11	MJ Contractor	\$223,450.00

^{*}MWBE

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$118,900.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$ 91,269.50
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 27,630.50

The amount of the recommended contract is 23 percent below the engineer-s estimate.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2002-03 Road Fund Budget.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

PK Construction, an MBE, has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract, which does not have a Federal- or State-mandated DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (x)(11), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 35 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in May and be completed in June 2003.

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD3246024, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, ATHENS, ET AL. (in the vicinities of Athens and Torrance), Supervisorial Districts 2 and 4

TYPE OF WORK: Trimming of parkway trees.

<u>CALL FOR BIDS DATE</u>: January 7, 2003 (Synopsis 39)

BID OPENING DATE: February 4, 2003

BID SUMMARY:

Lov	w *J. Orozco Enterprises, Inc., a corporation11194 Pipeline Avenue	\$42,680.00
	Pomona, California 91766	
	(909) 623-8287	
2	United Pacific Services, Inc.	\$42,891.00
3	*H. Tree Landscaping, Co. Inc.	\$47,324.22
4	*George Salinas Tree Preservation	\$50,496.00
5	Travers Tree Service, Inc.	\$55,169.00
6	TruGreen LandCare	\$64,258.00
7	*Leonard Chaidez, Inc.	\$65,844.00
8	West Coast Arborists, Inc.	\$95.875.00

^{*}MWBE

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$61,455.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$42,680.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$18,775.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 31 percent below the engineer-s estimate. Five of the eight bids were below the estimate and reflect the competitive nature of the market. The low bidder is a responsible contractor who has performed satisfactorily on previous contracts with Public Works. Therefore, we recommend award of the contract to the low bidder.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2002-03 Road Fund Budget.

J. Orozco Enterprises, Inc., an MBE, has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract, which does not have a Federal- or State-mandated DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (j), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 40 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in April and be completed in June 2003.

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD5547074, LITTLEROCK RANCHOS ROAD, ET AL. - SLURRY SEAL 2002/03 (in the vicinity Palmdale), Supervisorial District 5

TYPE OF WORK: Slurry sealing of roadway pavement.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: January 14, 2003 (Synopsis 42)

BID OPENING DATE: February 11, 2003

BID SUMMARY:

Low	American Asphalt South, Inc., a corporation P.O. Box 3610 Fontana, California 92334 (909) 427-8276	\$121,937.20
2	Doug Martin Contracting Company, Inc.	\$124,320.00
3	Bond Blacktop, Inc.	\$132,238.00
4	California Pavement Maintenance Company, Inc.	\$132,785.60
5	*Pavement Coatings Company	\$147,378.40
6	Roy Allan Slurry Seal, Inc.	\$147,940.80
7	Valley Slurry Seal Company	\$153,831.20
8	Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc.	\$154,411.36
9	Asphalt Maintenance Company of California	\$156,672.80

^{*}MWBE

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$148,000.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$121,937.20
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 26,062.80

The amount of the recommended contract is 18 percent below the estimate.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2002-03 Road Fund Budget.

American Asphalt South, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract, which does not have a Federal- or State-mandated DBE goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Class 1, Subsection (x)(1), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 15 working days. It is estimated that the work will start in May and be completed in June 2003.

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